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E-Legislative Update

February 4 - 10, 2013



February 4th marks the beginning of the fourth week of the legislative session and committee hearings in the House and Senate are in progress. Legislative committees are increasing in pace and the number of bills to be heard is even higher.

This is the time where you have an opportunity to testify on a bill. If you cannot appear before a committee, [contact your legislator](#) making your position on a bill known. You can do so by writing a letter, sending an e-mail, calling the

legislator's Olympia office, or by calling the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000.

Because the state budget is an overarching issue, the Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will provide updates on important milestones in budget development as well as focus on bills that impact the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the areas of education, health care, human services, economic development, and immigration. To learn more about the current budget, you can attend the House Ways & Means and Senate Finance Committee hearings.

The Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will be providing information weekly through our e-legislative update and website on committee hearings, bills, and other events of interest throughout the legislative session. Our e-legislative update provides a general overview highlighting a few bills of interest to the community while our website hosts a more extensive list of bills utilizing a [bill tracking](#) feature for those community members seeking more information. Highlights from the previous week can be viewed on [TVW's](#) Legislative Review.

Below are some scheduled meetings and hearings that might be of interest to you.

Education

Early Learning & K-12 Education

02/04/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee

Senate Hearing Rm 1

J.A. Cherberg Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SB 5330](#) - Improving student achievement and student outcomes.

Capital Budget

02/04/13 1:30 pm

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm B

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1405](#) - Creating a competitive grant program for informal science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education.

Higher Education

02/05/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm A

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1320](#) - Requiring an online higher education transfer and student advising system.
2. [HB 1453](#) - Changing state need grant eligibility provisions.

Education

02/05/13 1:30 pm

House Full Committee

House Hearing Rm A

John L. O'Brien Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1177](#) - Modifying the education accountability system to allow state criteria, resources, and strategies to be used for assistance and intervention.
2. [HB 1452](#) - Establishing accountability for student performance in third grade.
3. [HB 1476](#) - Establishing a performance-based grading system for schools and school districts.
4. [HB 1560](#) - Implementing selected recommendations from the 2011 and 2013 reports of the quality education council
5. [HB 1345](#) - Regarding access to K-12 campuses for occupational or educational information.

Early Learning & K-12 Education

02/06/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee

Senate Hearing Rm 1

J.A. Cherberg Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SB 5117](#) - Regarding family involvement coordinators in public schools.

Education

02/07/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1336](#) - Increasing the capacity of school districts to recognize and respond to troubled youth.
2. [HB 1369](#) - Using school days for meeting with parents and families as part of the Washington inventory of developing skills.
3. [HB 1472](#) - Providing initiatives to improve and expand access to computer science education.

Higher Education

02/07/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 3
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5028](#) - Changing state need grant eligibility provisions.
2. [SB 5195](#) - Allowing nonprofit institutions recognized by the state of Washington to be eligible to participate in the state need grant program.

Early Learning & K-12 Education

02/08/13 8:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 1
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5146](#) - Creating a competitive grant program for informal science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education.
2. [SB 5365](#) - Increasing the capacity of school districts to recognize and respond to troubled youth.

Education

02/08/13 1:30 pm

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A

John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Work Session: Why Does Disaggregated Student Data Matter?

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1475](#) - Authorizing waivers of state requirements for school districts.
 2. [HB 1450](#) - Regarding assessments in public schools.
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Health Care and Human Services

Public Safety

02/05/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm D
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1338](#) - Concerning juveniles sentenced to long terms of incarceration.

Health Care

02/05/13 10:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5213](#) - Concerning prescription review for medicaid managed care enrollees.
2. [SB 5267](#) - Concerning prior authorization for health care services.

Early Learning & Human Services

02/07/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm C
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1342](#) - Concerning the definition of work activity for the purposes of the WorkFirst program.
2. [HB 1433](#) - Creating a sentence for treatment program for juvenile offenders.

Health Care & Wellness

02/07/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm B
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1339](#) - Clarifying the scope of practice for East Asian medicine practitioners and removing certain referral requirements.

Human Services & Corrections

02/07/13 10:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 1
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5376](#) - Concerning juvenile firearms and weapons crimes.
2. [SB 5223](#) - Adding children victims of trafficking to the definition of abuse and neglect.

Health Care

02/07/13 10:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5416](#) - Concerning prescription information.
2. [SB 5214](#) - Concerning a business and occupation tax deduction for donated medical services.

Economic Development

Trade & Economic Development

02/05/13 8:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 3
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5109](#) - Creating a business and occupation tax exemption for new businesses.
2. [SB 5382](#) - Promoting economic development through tax relief for start-up firms.

Labor & Workforce Development

02/05/13 10:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [HB 1457](#) - Implementing family and medical leave insurance.
2. [HB 1313](#) - Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment.

Technology & Economic Development

02/05/13 10:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm C
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1403](#) - Promoting economic development by providing information to businesses.

Labor & Workforce Development

02/06/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm D
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1396](#) - Changing the unemployment insurance shared work program by adopting short-time compensation provisions in the federal middle class tax relief and job creation act of 2012.

Budget

Ways & Means

02/04/13 3:30 pm

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5445](#) - Funding capital projects.
2. [SB 5283](#) - Concerning a business and occupation tax exemption for the Washington health benefit exchange established under chapter 43.71 RCW.

Misc

Law & Justice

02/04/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 2
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [SB 5398](#) - Concerning the provision of and reimbursement for certain court interpreter services.
2. [SB 5364](#) - Concerning court reporters, communication access real-time translation, and real-time captioning services.

Government Operations & Elections

02/05/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm E
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1143](#) - Providing accountability to procurement policy.

Executive Session: [HB 1413](#) - Enacting the Washington voting rights act of 2013.

Information is current as of: January 31, 2013.

To find out more information on a particular bill, please visit <http://www.leg.wa.gov>.

CAPAA was established by the state legislature in 1974 to improve the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans (APAs) by insuring their access to participation in the fields of government, business, education, and other areas. It has a board made up of 12-governor appointed members that represent the diverse APA communities of Washington State.

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